

GRAD WRITES ISLAND BOOK

Marla Daily '68 is the author of the recently published CALIFORNIA'S CHANNEL ISLANDS: 1001 QUESTIONS ANSWERED. The book is 284 pages, and has over 100 photos. There is a chapter on each of the eight islands, listed by size: Santa Barbara Island, Anacapa, San Miguel, San Nicolas, San Clemente, Santa Catalina, Santa Rosa, and Santa Cruz Island.

After SBHS, Marla received a BA in cultural anthropology from UCSB in 1972. "My first formal introduction to the islands came in 1973 when I was included in a archaeological survey on Santa Cruz Island," says Marla.

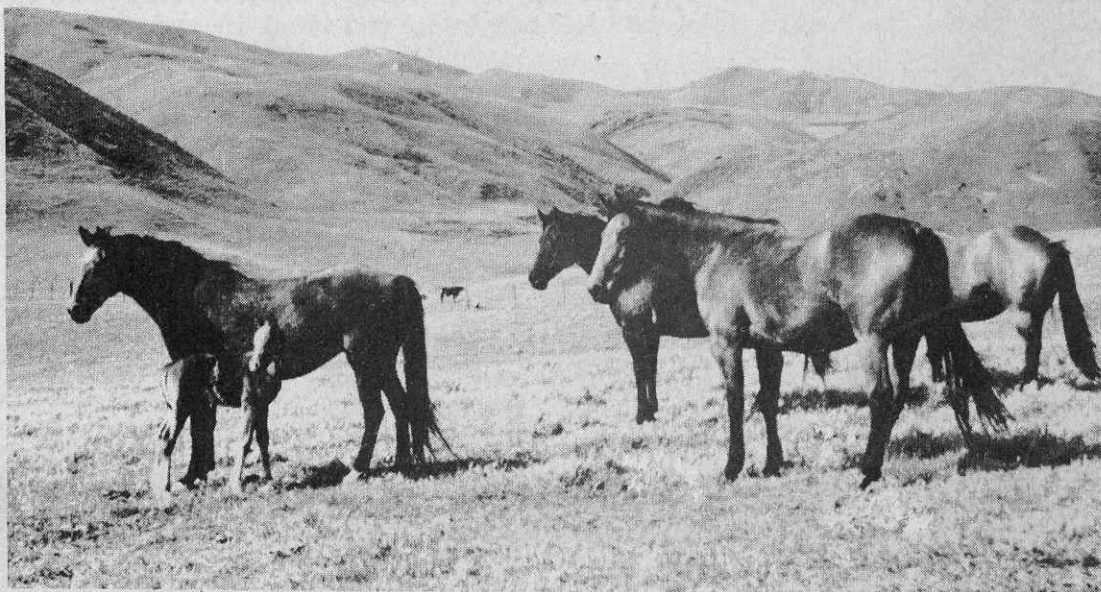
"I was soon inescapably and happily involved with researching all the Channel Islands, collecting island books and references, conducting interviews, and learning more about their botany, biology, and history.

"My own curiosity soon led me to realize that many of the things I wanted to know were not public information. Two of the islands are privately owned, and a third just passed from private to government ownership in 1986. Active military maneuvers are conducted on two others," said Marla.

She spent much of last summer working as a naturalist on cruise ships sailing the Alaskan inside passage. Marla hopes to have a similar job in Antarctic waters next summer. She is also associate curator of the Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History Channel Island Archive.



Marla Daily and friends at work on the Channel Islands. —photo by Bill McNally



Horses are bred on Santa Rosa Island.
—photo by Marla Daily